

Examiner's Amendment to Specification

Applicants appreciate Examiner's Amendment to specification inserting updated cross referenced data.

Double Patenting Rejections

Claims 1-16 were provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 15-19 of co-pending Application No. 09/124,306.

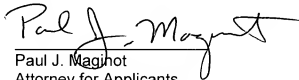
Claims 17-20 were provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 22-25 of co-pending Application No. 09/124,307.

Terminal disclaimers are submitted herewith in order to obviate the above rejections (see Attachment "A").

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing remarks, it is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Action to that end is hereby solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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